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This matter came on the calendar of the Honorable Jeffrey S. White on January 19, 2006. At the parties' request, the Court continued the matter until September 18, 2006 for trial. The parties requested an exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act on two bases.

First, the parties requested an exclusion of time based upon the need for continuity of counsel. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A) and (B)(iv). All defense counsel have varying trial schedules between January 19 and September 18. The earliest date that was available to all defense counsel was September 18, 2006.

Second, due to the number of defendants and the quantity of discovery, this case is so complex that it is unreasonable to expect adequate preparation within the time limits of the Speedy Trial Act. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(ii).

Therefore, the parties are requesting an exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act. The parties agree that the time from January 19 through September 18, 2006 should be excluded in computing the time within which trial must commence. See 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(1)(G), 3161(h)(8)(A) and (B)(iv).

Accordingly, the Court HEREBY ORDERS that the time from January 19 through September 18, 2006 is excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161. The Court finds that the failure to grant the requested exclusion would deny the defendants continuity of counsel. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(iv). The Court further finds that this case is so complex that it is unreasonable to expect adequate preparation for pretrial proceedings or for the trial itself within the time limits established by the Speedy Trial Act. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(ii).

The Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting the requested exclusion outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial and in the prompt disposition of criminal cases. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A). The Court therefore concludes that this exclusion of time should be made under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

SO ORDERED.

DATED: February 24, 2006

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